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Is Glass Manufacturies of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Correspondence of the Kenosha (Wis.) Telegraph:

I had designed treating at some length on the manufacturing and the manufactures of Pittsburgh, but, for want of space, confine myself to a brief history of a single branch—that of glass making, including window glass and glassware of every description.

The first factory was established in 1795, by General O'Hara, for making window glass, casual in the infancy of such an enterprise. little progress was made, and thirteen years passed before the second one was erected, (in 1808) by Bakewell, Page & Co., for manufacturing flint glass ware.

In 1810 another window glass factory was established, and from that time it was regarded a permanent and profitable branch of business, and its progress has been constant, and for the last fifty or sixty years unexampled, and there now in Pittsburgh and the immediate vicinity no less than thirty glass factories, conducted on the most successful and widely known plan. In this line is that of William McCully & Co., established in 1809, again the sailing and spring four distinct, mills, and whose combined brand of window glass is so popular throughout the States and Territories. Next in their well conducted business

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THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

If any one supposes that we undervalue railroads in general or the Pennsylvania Central in particular, we cannot give him much credit for discernment, nor for skill in forming deductions from facts. Yet the *Post* seems to have run, or been led, into this error or one akin to it, by a very narrow and onesided view of our course in favor of the Connellsville Railroad.

While we freely accord all the credit due to the Central Railroad, for the excellence of its work and the energy of its administration, and for the benefit it has done and is doing to the business of the State and of itstwo great cities; while we rejoice in seeing it crowded with business and extending its facilities; and while we have not a feeling or an interest in antagonism to that corporation, yet there are some prerogatives which we cannot, as the conductors of a public journal, allow to be put in abeyance by our regards for the Central Road.

It is evident to our own observation, with which information from business men accords, that from this point eastward we have not means of transportation adequate to our necessities. It is evident, too, that were our means extended under the usual influences, among railroads, of healthful competition, the transit business through the State, both of travel and freight, would be greatly increased. Among the railroad facilities now seeking public favor is the Connellsville route. After many difficulties, embracing a history that many a person blushes to remember, this corporation is again seeking legal authorization from our Legislature. We are in favor of its success, simply as a matter of public benefit to the State. If another independent corporation were wishing to construct another independent road, we should be, for the same reason, in favor of that too.

And what we object to, in the Central Road, is its opposition, such as it is alleged to be, in the Legislature to this public improvement demanded by the business of the country and by the interests of the State. The article in the *Post* pleads for its course as being a State institution, and for the benefit of the State. We repudiate the narrow notion, that has gained more fame than it could bear in New Jersey, but even on that ground, its course cannot be justified, for freight and travel will go North of us and South of us, to the loss of the business of the State, unless we have greater and independent facilities for transportation. On this State plea we say nothing—though we might—of discriminations to the disadvantage of our business men.

We simply want ample accommodations, under the best conditions, for the present and increasing business of the country. We want a fair share of the business of transportation to be *done in this* State, through this city. And to this end we want free legislation, that will authorize competing roads, as many as the capital of the country chooses to make in our Commonwealth. We believe that they would go towards improving and enriching the State. Therefore we are, without the slightest unfriendliness to any existing railroad, in favor of a general railroad law.

THE THAW—THE PUBLIC HEALTH

Our yesterday's special dispatches gave all our readers interested in river news intelligence of the break up of the ice at different points, and of the effects produced. The extraordinary thaw has a bearing of important interest on the health of the city. A few days ago we made some remarks on this subject. To say we have had nearly two months of freezing weather, is to say that the ordinary and unavoidable accumulations of filth in the streets and alleys of the city have been undisturbed during the same time. The roadways, sidewalks, yards and alleys, were thickly covered over with a coating, for convenience denominated ice, but really an inscrutable mixture of materials that were anything but crystaline. From some of the narrow alleys and passages leading to back yards and courts, ice of this filthy composition projected, like glaciers from a mountain gorge, jutting across the sidewalk into the street.

During the thaw the developemnts have fully justified our description—for we shrunk from a too close analysis—of the surface coating of the city. The melting has been gentle though rapid. A warm temperature without rain has done the work. The ice is gone, but the solids that it contained lie spread over every foot of surface where the ice lay, except where inconsiderable quantities have been removed by private efforts. We do not complain of delay on the part of authorities. We only say, that the time for cleaning up has come. A few days of warm sunshine on the compound that lies spread most advantageously for the purpose, would draw forth exhalations enough to poison the air we breathe and to produce disease and death throughout the city.

A pouring rain would be some relief from the danger of malaria, as it would wash the filth into the rivers. But alas, there again the danger mests us, in the water that we drink. And we are not doctor enough to know whether the morbid influence that we take in through the lungs is less deleterious than that which assails us through the stomach. If the reports of doctors be worthy of weight in the case, the water that supplies the city can ill bear any such additions to the washing of the city, after a two months freeze, would now give it.

No one can suppose that these remarks are unseasonable who is at all acquainted with the condition of the city, and who reflects that the dread epidemic the cholera is expected to return to this locality in the ensuing season. While the debris of winter is yet in a semi-fluid state and easily washed into gutters, and into sewers where there are any, and while the rivers are at full bank and rapid flow, and while the weather is yet cool, let the cleaning up process be commenced and carried on till our city and all the places around it are put into healthy condition.

THE NEED OF GREATER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES.

Strenuous exertions are made, it is said, for securing such legislation by Congress as may be necessary to the construction of a ship canal round the Falls of Niagara. This is no new project. It has long been urged by some as a means of facilitating the transportation of produce eastward through the Lakes to the sea. It has been urged, also, as a national measure for connecting the internal seas in one line of defense and co-operation in case of war with England. It is pressed on both grounds at the present time, and with more directness and determination than ever before. It is therefore a matter in which all parts of the country have an interest. As the expense of the undertaking, according to present intentions, is to be met by the national treasury, it is pertinent for the people of all parts of the country to consider whether the work promises such results to the general good as to warrant the expenditure.

For military purposes such a canal is not necessary, even in case of a war. The former contest between the two countries is no type of what we would be now. Neither were such a canal in existence on our bank of the river, would it be available in the face of modern artillery on the opposite bank. All the argument addressed to the National Government on this ground may therefore be set aside as without force.

It is undoubtedly true that more free communication is demanded by the growing commerce between the East and the West. And it is equally true that the great advantage, in point of cheapness of transportation, that the extensive lake commerce has, causes a disproportionate share of its freight from the broad West to take that direction. This overcrowds the means of transportation, where the lake communications end. The great railways through New York and the canal are found insufficient, although the canal, during the season of navigation, carries freight equal to the astonishing amount of *sixty railway trains* per day. This condition of affairs is highly embarrassing to the great producing regions of the West and North-west. And we cannot blame them for impatience under it. When they find their agriculture languishing, and their enterprise crippled by impediments in their road to market, we are not surprised that they devise the removal of the hindrances.

But other sections too have an interest in the matter. And the difficulty that impedes or clogs transportation in the North, should make our own section more prompt and decided to furnish facilities here for the transit of freights. Our rivers afford scarcely less advantageous means of transportation from the West to this point, than the Lakes furnish to Buffalo. And business would flow largely in this channel, if it had no difficulty to apprehend at this point. But eastward, hence, there is but one road, a most excellent one, employed to its full extent, while in Western New York the accumulating business has two roads and a canal of large capacity, and yet the entire West complains of scanty and costly transportation, and wants a canal round the Falls, in order to give them Lake transportation a hundred and fifty miles further, or even to the sea. Our policy should be to give every facility to Eastward communications from this point, as well as to improve our rivers.

EXPULSION OF PROTESTANTISM FROM ROME.

We publish in another column an authentic statement of the expulsion of Protestant worship from Rome. Considering that in the United States the largest religious liberty is not only permitted, but absolutely secured, this act of intolerance—aimed in a special manner at this country—will awaken here a strong sentiment of reprobation, with which, we are ready to believe, not a few Roman Catholics will secretly if not openly sympathise. And still, when we consider the religion of that Church, by which we mean the character it arrogates to itself, we cannot see how the Pope could do less than expel Protestantism from Rome, or wherever else he has the power to do it. Protestantism, according to Roman Catholic understanding, is heretical and essentially errroneous; consequently to be suppressed. And if the Pope, having the power, should fail to exercise it to this extent, how could believers be expected to hold to their faith, or the Church, of which he is the head, be encouraged in the struggle for supremacy?

The Pope, therefore, in expelling Protestantism from Rome, has but expounded the doctrine of the Church—or so much of it as holds that whatever proceeds not from and is not obedient to it is heretical, and, if possible, to be put down. It was a consistent act, not of the Pope either as an ecclesiastical or civil ruler, but of the Church of Rome, which aims at supremacy everywhere.

It is in this light the act of expulsion should be viewed. And if we are correct in this—if it is not a hostile act of the Pope, but one that proceeds from an inherent necessity—then its repetition is to be expected whenever and wherever the power exists—and when and where it does not exist, the spirit of the act, so far as possible, will be infused into all the doings and relations of the Church. If this act of the Pope is right and strictly in accordance with the doctrine of the Church of Rome, it would be equally so wherever the same power existed. If this is not the right view, then the act proceeds from hostility to this country, in an arbitrary one, and as such should be resented. Although we hold strictly to religious freedom, yet we subscribe to no such solecism as toleration for that which is intolerant to everything else. Nevertheless, we have so much faith in toleration—in its working in our own country—which would be the same in Rome itself—that we entertain no apprehensions that the principles put in practice by the Pope in this instance will result in any serious injury to religious freedom in this country.

The National Bank Question.

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Commercial.

A few months ago the editor of a certain metropolitan journal—(who has been on every side of every question that was ever agitated)—initiated a general crusade against the National Banks, which has finally culminated, in Congress, in a bill offered by Mr Randall of this State, proposing to *take from these Banks their circulating notes.* The question at first excited but little interest, appearing too monstrous for serious consideration, but it has now assumed a tangible shape and unjust and malicious as the proposition appears to me, I am surprised to find it has adherents in Congress, and some among financial writers for the press—your own, I am sorry to say, among them.

All business men remember the miserable paper currency with which our country was flooded prior to the war. Few bank notes would pass beyond the border of their State—some scarce outside the limits of the county where they were issued. This was notoriously the case in the northwestern part of this State. Now, what do we see? Why, the notes of the National Banks are used in all our business transactions; they have a *National* reputation and credit, and are issued in our smallest village passing at par as readily in New Orleans, or in Portland, as at its point of issue. There are some sixteen hundred of these Banks, scattered all over the country. Two or three of them have failed, having gotten into the hands of corrupt speculators. But the note holders lost nothing by their failure. The notes of the Venango National Bank in this State, the Atlas National Bank in New York, or of the Merchants' National Bank, in Washington City, are received to-day over the whole country. In the country, and by the people, on the same terms as are the notes of any one of your Pittsburgh National Banks. Why? Because their redemption is secured by bonds of the Government, deposited in Washington City, and no one stops to inquire where a National Bank note is issued. We have a currency, then, which is perfectly secured and safe—one that is general, and one with which the *people* are well satisfied. Then why disturb it? Why not let well enough alone?

There is a point in connection with this subject which I have not yet seen treated. It should be remembered, that this banking system is the offspring of the General Government itself. It was suggested, advocated and carried into successful operation by Mr. Chase, when Secretary of the Treasury. It was devised not only to give the people a better circulating medium than they ever had before, but to assist in sustaining the credit of the Government as well. When the Banking Law was passed, the country was weakened by a wasting war. Its bonds were almost a drug in the market, and extraordinary efforts had to be made to float the loans. Inducements were held out to capitalists to use them for banking purposes, after the practice of a neighboring State, and now $300,000,000 of them are placed in this manner—the stock of the banks distributed all over the country, held in many cases by aged and infirm persons and by women. A solemn compact was entered into by the contracting parties, to extend over a period of twenty years; and now, after all this material interest has been placed in operation and found to work well, a few restless financial tinkers desire the Government to break its faith with the people—to violate its solemn contract with them. It does appear to me there is a laxity of public morals evinced in this proposition of Mr. Randall's, that marks him as an unfit leader of public sentiment, and his project as one fraught with great danger to the best interests of the country, and its passage would establish a bad and dangerous precedent in legislation. If the Government will thus tightly treat its sacred obligations—if Congress will sustain this wanton disregard of its plighted faith, I would not be at all surprised to see Mr. Randall, or some other Congressman of equally loose public morals, bringing forward, at an early day, a proposition to repudiate the bonds of the Government, and wipe out the entire national debt by a few strokes of his pen.

Much more might be said on this subject, were I not fearful of trespassing on your limits. I will only add, that the main argument in favor of Mr. Randall's project is, it will save $18,000,000 per annum, in interest, to the Government. This is not true, for the Government receives back nearly an equal sum in taxes from the banks, so that the account is nearly square at the close of the year. And if this bill passes, the charters of these banks will all be thrown up, as there is no other privilege connected with them that is worth having.

The great curse of our politics' system is that *of too much legislation.* On all these questions we find some restless spirit in Congress, or our State Legislature, who "struts his brief hour upon the stage," and who seems bent upon leaving his mark in some way. If he cannot *build* one, he will *tear down.* He cannot be quiet; he must do something to render his name notorious before retiring into obscurity. Just now, this is particularly the case. It really seems as if we were drifting into chaos again. We see so many startling propositions brought before Congress—one following rapidly after another, that the country is becoming alarmed. Values are becoming unsettled—business is deranged, and a general feeling of insecurity and distrust prevails among capitalists all over the country. It strikes me the press of the land, without distinction of party, should protest against this evil. Let us have *less* legislation. Let us not have laws at one session, only to be repealed at the next. Let us "hold fast to that which is good," after it has had a fair trial and proved its worth.

JUSTICE.

MEADVILLE, January 1867.

RAPID GROWTH OF TEXAS.—The following, from one of our exchanges, indicates, if true, a very rapid growth of population in Texas: "Houston, before the war, had 5,000 inhabitants. They now number 30,000. The *Telegraph* says: Our city is perfectly filled with strangers from all the four quarters of the globe, and our hotels and restaurants are filled to overflowing with them. We are at a loss to know where they all come from. But the best of it all is they have, mostly, got money, and are buying up the vacant lots and blocks around the city, with the intention of building on them."

PARIS PREPARING TO PLUNDER AMERICANS.—Appearances at Paris already indicate that the hotels and lodging-houses will be crowded to excess during the exposition; and the residents of the city expect to reap a golden harvest from the "generous Americans," as we are known there. No caresses "Yankee" can remain at the French capital for much less than five hundred francs a week, and most visitors from this country will spend five times as much.

PLEASANT WORDS.

What is Thought of the Commercial by Its Contemporaries

Below we publish a number of quotations which indicate the estimation in which the COMMERCIAL is held by some of its most distinguished contemporaries. Our neighbors have published kind words spoken of them, and we shall be pardoned for giving the subjoined few notices of the COMMERCIAL, which are but a sample of what we have sufficient to fill one of our broad pages:

[From Reading, Pa., Journal, December 8, 1866.]

"PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL."—To those of our readers in want of, or who may have occasion to advertise in a Pittsburgh paper, we recommend the PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL. By common consent it takes first among the daily papers published in Western Pennsylvania. Although but recently established, its circulation and influence are already widely extended. As a journal of enterprise in gaining the latest intelligence, and giving in each issue a large amount and great variety of reading matter, it does not suffer in comparison with the leading dailies of Philadelphia or New York. It is Radical Republican in politics, and a first class paper in every department. Terms of the daily, $10 per annum. A weekly is published in connection with it at $2.00 a year. Address the COMMERCIAL, Pittsburgh, Pa.

[From the Beaver Argus, Dec. 12, 1866.]

The COMMERCIAL is the largest daily in Pennsylvania, and contains the very latest and most authentic news from all quarters of the country. In this vicinity, it is useless to speak of its merits, for nearly every person takes and reads it daily.

[From Crawford Journal, Dec. 11, 1866.]

PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—One of our most valued exchanges is the PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL. We regard it as inferior to no other paper published in the State of Pennsylvania, and really better than any newspaper hailing from the city of Philadelphia. Its well filled columns bear witness to the energy and enterprise of the publishers, and the ability with which its editorial department is managed is a matter of general remark among its readers. The COMMERCIAL has an extensive circulation in this region, and is regarded by all who get it as in every respect a first-class newspaper.

[From the Christian Companion, December 11, 1866.]

PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—We take pleasure in recommending to such of our readers who wish to read a daily paper, this spirited journal. It pays special attention to agricultural and horticultural information, and is the best commercial reporter in the State. Price $10 00 per year.

[From the Washington Reporter, December 12, 1866.]

The COMMERCIAL is a most valuable paper and has displayed far more enterprise than any other public journal ever published in the "smoky city." Those wanting a cheap paper with all the news of the day, will find it all it is represented.

[From the Indiana Register, Dec. 12, 1866.]

THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—In the circle of our newspaper acquaintance, we can boast of no single publication in this State, and only a few in the country, that rival (none excel) THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, as a newspaper. It is 30 by 46 inches size, and contains 36 columns of matter. The daily furnishes in each issue about sixteen columns of current news, while nearly the entire issue of the weekly is made up in popular intelligence. Any person who desires to take a paper from one of our commercial cities will not select a better than the COMMERCIAL. It is thoroughly Republican in tone, and is conducted in a spirit of frankness that renders it worthy of emulation by the press everywhere.

[From Indiana Democrat, Dec. 13, 1866.]

The COMMERCIAL is about the only live paper published in that city.

[From California Valley Spirit, Dec. 12, 1866.]

This is the largest daily and weekly journal, we believe, published in the State, and although but recently established, it has an extensive circulation. We can recommend it to parties in search of a paper in the denser centers of population, as it is unsurpassed by any, and will prove of interest to them in comparing what is best.

[From the Johnstown Tribune, December 14, 1866.]

THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL has become one of the leading journals of the country. Its full commercial reports render it almost indispensable to business men in Western Pennsylvania, and to those who could keep posted in the latest political and general intelligence of the day, from its daily edition are taken in Johnstown, which shows their estimation in which it is held by our business men. This number will doubtless be greatly increased during the coming years.

[From the Hollidaysburg Whig, December 15, 1866.]

Weask the attention of any one of our readers to it who may desire a large daily paper. It is one of the best papers in the country, and as we now get the news by the Pittsburgh papers that we get in the evening in the Eastern papers, regard the COMMERCIAL as a very good paper to subscribe for.

[From the Connellsville Courier, December 13, 1866.]

The COMMERCIAL takes rank among the best and most reliable dailies published, and we heartily commend it to our readers wishing a daily visitor from the "Smoky City."

[From the Tuscarawas (Ohio) Advocate, Dec. 14, 1866.]

THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—It stands unrivalled among the Pittsburgh dailies, and those in want of a daily paper cannot do better than subscribe for the COMMERCIAL.

[From the Brookville Republican, December 12, 1866.]

THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—We would recommend it to all our readers who desire to subscribe for a first-class city paper. As a journal of enterprise in gathering the latest intelligence, and giving in each issue a large amount of Congressional news, besides a great variety of reading matter, it does not suffer in comparison with the best. Its ample columns also enhance a carefully prepared literary and valuable scientific miscellany, agricultural and horticultural information from the best sources.

[From Fairmount, West Va., Vedette, Dec. 15, 1866.]

The COMMERCIAL is one of the leading newspapers in the country. It contains all the news, is ably edited and comes promptly to hand the next day after it is published. Its market reports are especially valuable to our business men.

[From Indiana Messenger, Dec. 19, 1866.]

PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—One of the most valued exchanges on our list is the PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL. We regard it as inferior to no other paper published in the State of Pennsylvania. Its well filled columns bear witness to the energy and enterprise of the publishers, and the ability with which its editorial department is managed is a matter of general remark among its readers. Combining as it does extensive circulation in this region, and is regarded by all who get it as in every respect a first-class paper.

[From the McConnellsburg, O. Herald, Dec. 14, 1866.]

We commend it to all who desire to subscribe for and read a live and reliable newspaper.

[From the Hollidaysburg Leader, Dec. 20, 1866.]

We recommend this newspaper to the attention of our readers as one of the ablest dailies now published. Its managers have taken great pains to make it a reliable newspaper, and spare no effort to secure the latest news at the earliest moment.

[From Waynesburg Republican, Dec. 19, 1866.]

THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL.—We present our readers with the prospectus of this excellent journal for the coming year, this week. Its popularity forbids us saying more concerning its merits. It has long been the paper of Western Pennsylvania and bids fair to sustain its reputation.

[From Tuscarawas, O., Advocate, Dec. 29, 1866.]

It is decidedly a number one newspaper, and we believe is not surpassed by any daily, East or West.

[From Hollidaysburg Whig, Dec. 26, 1866.]

The Pittsburgh COMMERCIAL is the largest daily in the State, and its financial, commercial, political and news departments are conducted with rare ability. To business men of Western and Central Pennsylvania it is indispensable.

THE CITY THAT IS TO BE.—A correspondent writing about the proposed railroad between St. Paul, Minnesota, and the head of Lake Superior, says: "That a mighty city will soon be built on the waters of the west end of Lake superior, must be apparent to all intelligent men. Minnesota is to feed New England with breadstuffs before long, and to furnish it with wool for her manufactures. It is also probable that New England men should take the lead in that flourishing State, and lay the foundations of the great interior city of the future. The climate of the country bordering on the west end of Lake Superior is much better than in the interior—Winters being warmer at the mouth of St. Louis river than in St. Paul, and shorter, owing to the fact that the lake does not freeze over. The best part of the land on the Red river of the North, which is just now being settled. A few years will see all this magnificent region filled up, and then Dakota will attract immigration."

DIFFERENT LENGTHS OF U. S. NOTES.—A letter of inquiry was recently addressed to the Treasury Department, by a Boston firm, making inquiry into the different lengths of United States bills, from end to end, particularly the notes. The Department replies that the ones are chiefly printed of New York. If they are exactly alike, size cannot be a criterion of genuineness, when printed by the ordinary process, because, the paper being wetted before printing, will expand and shrink irregularly in the writing and subsequent drying, making notes printed from the same plate of irregular length. There is sometimes a difference of from one quarter to three eighths of an inch in the length of two sheets printed on the same plate, after being dried. Such notes as are printed *dry*, that is, without wetting the paper, are consequently all alike when put in circulation. Size can only be a criterion of genuineness when the paper is printed dry.

THE FLIGHT OF NEGROES TO FLORIDA.—The Charleston *News* estimates the number of negroes, farm hands, that have left South Carolina for Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, and Florida, at twenty five thousand. From Georgia the emigration is still larger, though no estimate of the whole number has yet appeared. But every few days mention is made of the departure of six, eleven and one hundred negroes from Savannah, by steamer, for Florida. They are going also by land, and a Hudnutville, Ga., paper, says that trains of carts, wagons, and other vehicles, are constantly passing through that town on the way to Florida. There is also an extensive movement towards the West, in which there are many whites as well as negroes. They are generally in search of new places, west of the Mississippi. But in most cases the negroes migrating in that direction have been engaged by agents from the Southwest, to go thither to work on the plantations.

THE ARMY.—A considerable number of enlisted men have been discharged from the regular army during the past week, on account of the expiration of their term of service, and it is estimated that the period of enlistment of about fifteen thousand more will expire during the present year. The men discharged are those re-enlisted into the regular army in 1861. The new regiments are recruiting rapidly, about twelve thousand men having been enlisted at the several depots since the 1st of October last. At this rate the minimum strength of the army will be attained in two or three months, as it is thought that enlistment during the summer months will be enough to balance the number discharged.

PAPAL INTOLERANCE.

Suppression of Protestant Worship in Rome—Threats of the Inquisition.

Rev. Dr. Prime, editor of the *Observer*, writes to that paper from Rome the following account of the action which preceded the removal of the American Chapel outside the walls of Rome:

ROME, January 4 1867.—If you thought the Inquisition was a thing of the past, a monster of the dark ages, now known only among the sands and megatheria of a former cycle, just read what I am about to write.

You are aware that Protestant worship is not allowed in public assemblies in the city of Rome, nor indeed, in the Roman States. The only exception to this restriction is that the Ambassadors of foreign governments, resident in Rome, have a chaplain of their own, will, of course, worship in their own way, and if they choose to have a public service in their own houses, on the Sabbath day, no objection is made. Under this protection the Russian, the Prussian, the American, and other representatives of their respective governments have for many years had divine service in their houses, and if a chapel has been opened in another part of the city, under the flag or name of the Embassy, it would be regarded as a privileged place. The British government has no diplomatic relations with Rome. Why it is thus excluded I do not know. It has been said that Mr. Odo Russell was sent here as Minister, but when the Pope sent a priest to England to represent him at the Court of St. James the mission was declined. Mr Odo Russell has since visited here in a non-official character, and is very much laughed at for his negotiations with the Pope. His Protestant

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MUSIC OF LABOR.

The banging of the hammer,
The whirling of the plane,
The creaking of the saw,
The creaking of the crane,
The ringing of the anvil,
The grating of the drill,
The clattering of the spinning lathe,
The whirling of the mill,
The hissing of the spindle,
The ris ing of the loom,
The pulling of the bellows,
The ceaseless, constant boom,
The clipping of the shears,
The carving of the awl,
These sounds of honest industry
I love—I love them all.

The clicking of the magic type,
The earnest talk of men,
The flowing of the giant press,
The scratching of the pen,
The tapping of the gold stick,
The tink ling in the scales,
The whistling of the cradle,
(When no bright cheek it pales,)
The humming of the cooking stove,
The purring of the broom,
The pattering feet of childhood,
The housewife's busy hum,
The buzzing of the scholars,
The teacher's kindly tone,
These sounds of active industry
I love—I love them all.

I love the ploughman's whistle,
The reaper's cheerful song,
The driver's oft-repeated shout,
Spurring his stock along,
The bustle of the market man,
As he buys his to the town,
The lo'ing from the tree top,
As the ripened fruit comes down,
The busy sound of threshers,
As they clear the golden grain,
The basker's joke and catch of glee,
'Neath the moonlight on the plain,
The kind voice of the matron,
The shepherd's gentle call—
These sounds of honest industry
I love—I love them all.

Oh, there's a song in labor,
If we labor but aright,
That gives vigor to the daytime,
A sweeter sleep at night;
A goodly harvest pleasure,
Even to the toiling hours;
For duty cheers the spirit,
As dew revives the flowers.
Then say not that Jehovah
Gave labor as a doom,
No—in the rudest misery
From the cradle to the tomb;
Through let us suffer or suffer,
Whate'er we find to do,
With a useful, hopeful spirit,
And free hand strong and true.

HE AUTHORSHIP OF SHAKSPEARE.

[From the New Castle, Pa., Courant.]

We reprint the following by request, aply remarking that we disagree with writer in his conclusions.—Ed. Com.]

his is the title of a book recently issued m the press of Messrs. Hurd and oughton, of New York, which is written the Hon. Nathaniel Holmes, one of the dges of the Supreme Court of Missouri. dge Holmes, being a jurist, underands well the laws of evidence, and his inion on any disputed question, whether literature or law, is entitled to respect. this book he undertakes to prove that dramatic works imputed to William akspeare, and which has borne his name two hundred years, were not written that person at all, but by his contemrary, Sir Francis Bacon. We have long tertained this opinion, and therefore id the Judge's work with the deepest erest and satisfaction. We think moreer, that no man of candid mind, capae of understanding what proof is, can, er a perusal of Judge Holmes's argut, come to any other conclusion than e one he has reached.

Nearly fifty years ago the literary world England was thrown into excitement the appearance of the Waverly novels hich were anonymous. The question as, who was the author? but no one was le to furnish an answer based upon sitive evidence. At length a gentleman med Adolphus, who was familiar with e style of "Marmion," and those other ems of which Walter Scott was the acowledged author, undertook to collate ese parts of the Waverly novels which rnished an index to the mental culiarities, phrases, habits, studies and cupations of their author and to show w strikingly they corresponded with e same ear marks in Scott's vowel dings. It was the evidence of circumances, no one of which, taken singly, uld prove the point in dispute, but all gether, would form such an array of ool as would be irresistible. Sir Walter ott did not avow himself to be the thor of "Waverly" for five years afterrds, but the sagacious men of that day d no doubts on the question.

The idea that Lord Bacon wrote the ays ascribed to Shakspeare is by no eans new. It was first squarely broached

Miss Delia Bacon, then by Mr. Wm. enry Smith, in a letter to Lord Palmerston, d published some years ago in *Putnam's agazine*. The late Lord Palmerston, it well known, held the same opinion most readily. *But no man has undertaken* by elaborate argument to establish the int until Judge Holmes appeared. To justice to the subject it was necessary be familiar with the works of Lord Ba-n, which are voluminous, and some of em very abstract, but all deeply interesting from the peculiar wit that glitters every page. His intimate communion ith Bacon enables him to see in innuerable instances the evidence of his thorship in the plays. Besides this, dge Holmes shows from dates and other egular circumstances that there was no her man in the seventeenth century except Bacon who could have produced ese works—who was at once a profound ell read lawyer, a profound philosopher, historian, se quained with dead, and reign and living languages, and evincing breadth and minuteness of observation, d a knowledge of human nature which is made his productions immortal. For ast as the English race in both hemiseres advances in civilization and refinent, in the same proportion do these dramatic wri ings become the subjects of deep udy and admiration.

We have noticed with amazement the neral unwillingness of American critics undert ake a thorough review of Judge olmes's book. This cannot be due to the eakness of the author, for no man can ad the volume without being struck ith the ability and even profoundness isplayed by the author. We attribute is remarkable lacunarity of the reviewrs to two causes. First, to that "worst rmed moral delinquency—an indifference truth;" as if the authorship of Shakesare was not an infinitely more important question in literature than the one pon which there has been so much discussion—who was the author of Junius's letters? We can easily understand why Mr. Richard Grant White, who has the putation of being the greatest Shakesrian scholar in this country, should have nothing to say on the subject, for in his l te and beautiful edition of e works of Shakespeare he records series of facts in the life of his hero, which seems to us, should have led him at once to scout the idea that such a man, ith such antecedents, and such surroundgs, could possibly have written the orks now attributed to him, simply beause that in common with all the other lays performed at the Globe theater, they ere published under the name of the anager. That a Law Judge on the bench f a Western and a half civilized State, hould find time, in the midst of his official uties, to master the profound works of ord Bacon and there find the key to unck the mystery which Mr. White had ung round the name of Shakespeare, —that this Missouri Judge should be the rst to draw the obvious inference from e facts of Mr. White, and establish it by he most startling array of circumstantial vidence, is indeed somewhat humiliating Mr. White, and a reflection upon his agacity.

The other cause for the seeming indifference shown to one of the most interesng and remarkable productions of the ay is the fact, that, even literary men in eneral, know as little about the works of ord Bacon as our second rate lawyers o about "Coke upon Lyttleton," or as he common run of preachers do of "Edards on the Will," or "Butler's Analoy." And no man can unravel the mysery of Shakspeare unless he finds the hread in the works of Bacon.

In his last will and testament occur hese touching words of Lord Bacon's: 'For my name and memory, I leave it to men's charitable speeches, to foreign nations, and the next ages." It is truly onderful that more than two hundred ears should roll by before the world was airly made acquainted with the character of this great man; and it is to us a matter of great pride that an American, whose country was a wast wilderness when the great chancellor was in his prime, should be the first to reveal to the nglish nation, by an argument without flaw, that he, and not Shakspeare, was he author of these works, which have done so much to ennoble the English race nd language.

From the preface it appears that the ook was a labor of love with Judge olmes, reaching through a number of ears. In the exhaustive way he handone he work, he proves himself a lawyer superior as a "Shakspearean" scholar. The volume is attracting attention among he candid and inquisitive minds in the East, and we hope all the thinking men of he West will indulge themselves in reading one of the most satisfactory arguments hat has ever been offered to the literary world in solution of the question—whether William Shakspeare was, or was not the real author of the works ascribed to him, and if not, then who was?

DANGEROUS PAPER.—There is a great difference in the combustibility of common paper. Enamelled card paper, on account of its compact body and the presence of mineral matter, white lead or barytes, is quite disinclined to burn; in fact, some kinds are practically fire-proof. White writing and printing paper can seldom be lighted by a spark, and when ignited by a flame, it requires dexterity to keep it burning. On the other hand, there is a common reddish yellow paper which, in some circumstances, is as dangerous as gunpowder. It takes fire by the smallest spark and burns like tinder; when once lighted, if left alone, it is sure to be consumed completely. All the yellow and buff paper which I have tested, out of which envelopes are made, partakes more or less of the same character. I have no doubt that such paper has been the occasion of some of the fires in this city, which have been otherwise unexplained, such as the fires in paper warehouses and offices of professional men. A spark of fire, or the stump of a lighted cigar, falling in a waste basket containing yellow envelopes with other kind of paper, would have a good chance of setting the whole on fire.—*Prof. Seeley.*

Death as a Godfather.

The following is a translation from the German of a popular writer:

A poor man who had twelve children, for whose bread he had to work day and night, was in despair when the thirteenth came into the world. He rushed out of his house determined to ask the first person he met to be the godfather of the newly born. A bright and beautiful form appeared to him.

"Poor man," it said, "I pity thee. I will hold thy child at the font; I will care for him, and he shall be happy all his life."

But the man answered: "I know thee. I will not have thee for a godfather, for thou givest to the rich and leavest the poor to hunger."

Thus he spoke who knew not that Providence is all-wise in gifts, who only felt that poverty is bitterness. So he turned from his friend and sought further; and soon a dark shape appeared.

"Will thou have me to be godfather of thy child?" it said. "I will heap gold on him and he shall enjoy all the pleasures that earth affords."

"No," cried the man, "I know thee too well; thou dost deceive, and lead men to sorrow and to sin."

He went on, and presently meager-legged Death stalked before him.

"Take me for thy godfather," said he, "I make all men equal."

"I accept thee," answered the man, 'for thou sparest neither rich nor poor."

"I promise thee," said Death, "that thy son shall be rich and happy, for nothing lacks to him who takes me for his friend."

When the boy had grown to be a man, his godfather came to him, and led him forth into a wood; then showing him an herb, he said:

"Now will I fulfill my promise. Thou shalt be a great physician. When thou art with the sick, if thou seest me at the head, thou mayst be sure this weed will cure; but if I stand at the foot, no art will save, for I shall have chosen. But, beware! Use not this herb with the desire to defraud me, or thou will weep the day!"

The young physician's name became famous throughout the world; from far and near men sought him, for his word of life or death never failed; fortune smiled on him, and he became rich. At last the King fell, and the skillful doctor was called to his aid. When he reached the royal bed, Death stood at the foot, and stared in the sick man's face. But the physician would not despair; for the sake of such a patient, he resolved to outwit the godfather, trusting to his forgiveness for the first offense. He therefore turned the King's head, so that Death stood no longer at the foot, but at the head. He then administered the healing herb, and the King was cured and arose. Death scowled on his godchild, and raised his long finger with threatening gestures.

"This time I pardon thee," he muttered, "but betray me not again, or woe to thee."

But sickness again entered the palace, and the king wept day and night over his only daughter. In his despair he promised that she should be the wife of whomsoever saved her. The physician came and found Death waiting at her feet, but the maiden's beauty and princely rank tempting him to entice more his godfather. In vain Death frowned and shook his clenched fist; the bed of pain was turned, the herb was administered, and health and strength returned to the sufferer. Then the stern godfather, thus twice cheated of his prey, seized his goldchild with his ice cold hand, and dragged him into his home beneath the earth. There burned millions of flames —some large, some less, some very small, in immeasurable rows. At every moment some were extinguished, and others kindled; so that constantly appearing and disappearing, they seemed ever in motion.

"These," said Death, "are the life lights of men. These biggest and brightest belong to children; the next in size to married people, in their first, best years; the last to the aged—though some children and young people also shine with such stars."

The physician asked to see his own, and death pointed to a faint glimmering light, which seemed on the point of expiring. "Alas!" said he "is that mine?"

"O! dear godfather!" said the trembling man; "let me enjoy more life! I must be the husband of the little maiden I have saved!"

"In vain dost thou ask," replied Death; "the old flame must die, before a new one can be lighted."

"O! put it on another table that may kindle as this expires!" cried the physician.

Death feigned to grant the petition; but when he touched the little flickering flame, it fell and was extinguished, and Death's cold hand clutched his godchild.

Parisian Literature.

The following spicy account of the condition of Parisian literature we clip from the letter of the *Publisher's Circular*:

"Some time since a M. Debriges, being hard pressed for money, applied for assistance to M. Louis Jourdain, an editor of *Le Siecle*. The latter had neither gold nor silver, but he engaged M. Debriges to *make* a book, and suggested the Chevalier d'Eon as a salable subject. M. Debriges picked up an old work entitled Les Secrets du Chevalier d'Eon,' published in 1836 by M. Gaillardet, and used his scissors with untiring energy. M. Louis Jourdain signed the book as author, and M. Dentu printed and published it. A short time since M. Gaillardet wished to bring out a new edition of 'Les Memoires du Chevalier d'Eon.' When he presented his publisher he was told it was only a reprint of M. Debriges' 'L'Hermaphrodite.' He examined the latter, and found it was cribbed almost entirely of his own work, copied literally. He, therefore, brought suit. MM. Jourdain and Debriges attempted to persuade him to abandon his action by making the expleniatives to be given, and M. Debriges added that he thought the copyright of M. Gaillardet's book had expired. M. Gaillardet refused to accept the explanations, and has written some harsh cards in the public prints. He has something to do—what his share was never clearly appeared—with writing 'La Tour de Nesle.' He had to bring a suit against M. Alex. Dumas to secure the appearance of his name on the play-bills, and on the printed book, as an author of the piece. This suit led to a duel between him and Alex. Dumas. When M. Dumas published his memoirs, M. Gaillardet attacked him for the publication, he gave 'La Tour de Nesle.' Now he is attacking Messrs. Jordain and Debriges. He is an author never heard of by his works, but known by his lawsuits. His name is familiar to many of your readers by his career as editor of *Le Courrier des Etats Unis*, the able organ of French interests in the United States. M. de Lamartine's work on De Balzac is likewise looked on as a literary scandal. It is made up almost entirely of extracts from De Balzac's works. It is something even worse than his 'Life of Byron,' and is almost as bad as his 'History of Russia,' which was *cut* out of M. Schnitzler's 'History of Russia,' or his work on the 'Beauties of Job,' which appeared in *Le Siecle*. This newspaper gave him twenty sous a line. To make as many lines as possible, he put into Job's mouth the whole book of Job, and little else—just sauce enough to 'bind' the ingredients of the dish together."

How Mr. Jefferson Came Near Being Bust-ed.

Many years ago, when Thomas Jefferson was President of the United States, an attempt was made at Washington to execute his bust of plaster of Paris after a new plan which, but for the fortune of an accident, might have ended in the death of the President. An artist by the name of Brower fitted a box tightly about the President's neck and left an opening in the top through which he was to pour the liquid plaster. The hair of Mr. Jefferson was prepared in the usual way, his ears stopped up, and a couple of quills were put into the nostrils communicating with the outside of the box, through which it was supposed by the artist a sufficient supply of fresh air could be obtained. The artist was not, however, as well read in physiology as he might have been, or he would have known that no ordinary man, much less the President of the United States, could get enough oxygen to sustain life through a couple of small goose quills. Mr. Jefferson took a seat upon a couch, his head in a box, and the artist poured in his plaster. For a short time Mr. Jefferson patiently submitted to the uncomfortable position, but finding the supply of air insufficient, he got up, and, dashing his head against the wall, broke the box, and the whole contrivance to the floor in fragments. Thus ended the attempt of Mr. Brower to take a *bust* of the President.

THE HEN AND DUCK AS EGG PRODUCERS.—A paper has been received by the Paris Academy of Sciences from M. Comaille on the comparative value of the hen and duck as egg producers. His observations were limited to three hens and three ducks, all nine animals, hatched at the same time in the month of February. During the following autumn the ducks laid 225 eggs; they recommenced laying in February, and continued to do so until the middle of August. The hens laid no eggs during the autumn, but began in January, and left off in the middle of August. The totals of each at the end of that time were—the hens, 47 eggs; the ducks, 617. M. Comaille next examined the nutritive value of each kind of egg, and found them nearly equal in that respect. Hence the duck is more profitable than the hen by far.

ONE OF THE GREAT LANDHOLDERS OF ENGLAND.—A prize essay in the Royal Agricultural Society's *Journal* treats of the "Farming of Leicestershire," as showing the injurious effects of the English system of great landed estates. The Duke of Rutland's estate extends over one-sixteenth of the whole county, comprising 52,000 acres, let to 1,275 occupiers, mostly in farms of from fifty to seven hundred and fifty acres, and yielding a rental of £100,000 per annum. This accumulation of land in one ownership is effected through the laws of entail and settlement, by which the division of estates among heirs is prevented. As a consequence, it is stated that Leicestershire owes its surpassing fertility and high rental to its native excellence of soil, rather than to any pains taken in its improvement.

OILING A VENTRILOQUIST.—We find this bit of quiet fun in an English paper: "A gentleman going down the river on a steamer, the engine of which was upon deck, he sauntered out to see the working of the machinery. Near him stood a man apparently bent on the same object. In a few moments a squeaking noise was heard on the opposite side of the engine. Seizing the oil can—a gigantic one by the way—the engineer sought out the dry spot, and to prevent further noise of that kind, liberally applied the contents of the can to every joint. All went on well for a while, when the squeaking was heard in another direction. The oiling process was repeated and quiet was restored; but as the engineer was coming quietly towards the spot occupied by the gentleman and the stranger, he heard another squeak. This time he detected the true cause of the difficulty. The stranger was a ventriloquist. Walking straight up behind him, he seized the astonished joker by the nape of the neck and emptied the contents of the can down his back. 'There,' said he, 'I don't believe that old engine will squeak again.'"

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2d. Assets—U. S. 7 30's.....$76 500 00
U. S. 5 20's.....10 000 00
Cash.....8 167 83
Bank Stock.....4 200 00
Insurance Stock.....2,500 00
Bills Receivable.....2 250 00
Book Account.....1,456 11
Office furniture.....244 16—$ 110 357 42
3d. Amount of premiums received from January 1st to December 31st, 1866, inclusive.....$ 33,054 17
4th. Amount of interest (net).....$ 7 485 59
5th. Paid since January 1st, 1866, as follows:
Fire, Cargo and Marine Losses.....$22,416 06
Returned premiums.....2,801 91
Commissions on premiums.....4,200 44
Government Tax & Stamps.....829 92
Re-insurance.....2,000 00
Salaries, Rent and all other expenses.....3,395 53—$ 31,715 58
6th. Amount of outstanding risks December 31st, 1866.....$1,355,764 94
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CITY MATTERS.

Daring Robbery in Open Daylight—$160 Worth of Goods Stolen—The Perpetrators in Custody.

The Miners' Home, in the Diamond, kept by Joseph Fritsch, was entered on Saturday afternoon, and a large amount of articles carried away. Mr. Fritsch had gone out about one o'clock, leaving his barkeeper in the house, who locked up shortly afterwards, and started to go to Temperanceville. When he went to the wharf he found that the ferryboat was not running, and returned to the house. On entering, the bar room he found there a man named Henry Chapman, who had been employed about the house to carry coal. The barkeeper asked him how he got in there, when he replied that Mr. Fritsch had given him the key. The barkeeper having occasion to visit the house where Mr. Fritsch was spending the afternoon, informed the latter of Chapman being at his house. Mr. Fritsch said that he had not given him any key, and returned to his house, when he discovered that it had been ransacked from top to bottom, and the following articles stolen: One gold watch, three silver watches a box containing a lot of jewelry, ear rings, breast pins, finger rings, one pair of pantaloons, one vest, and a number of other articles too numerous to mention, the whole valued at about four hundred dollars. Chapman was arrested yesterday by officer McMullen, of the Mayor's police force, and all the goods found in his possession with the exception of one watch and vest were recovered. He cannot be induced to implicate any confederates. He cannot be induced to implicate any confederates. He states that he effected an entrance into Mr. Fritsch's apartments by breaking open the door leading from the cellar. The watch and vest were kept by McCormack Duggan. Chapman also stated that the missing watches were in the possession of Duggan. The latter was arrested, but the watches were not found on his person. He denies any knowledge of the robbery, or the stolen articles. Both parties were committed to the lock up, and will have a hearing before the Mayor to day.

Collision Between Railway Cars.

Yesterday morning, about half-past nine o'clock, a collision occurred between Car No. 27, of the upper route of the Manchester Passenger Railway, and a freight train bound west on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad, at the Federal street crossing, Allegheny. The car was descending the grade with the brakes down, but owing to the icy condition of the track, they had little or no effect, and it was found impossible to check it in time to avoid a collision with the freight train which was crossing the street at the time. The tongue of the car ran in between two freight cars, which twisted it off, and then swung around the passenger car parallel with the freight train. The horses were struck violently by the train, and one had a large piece of flesh torn from one hip and otherwise cut up. The animal was injured so that it was found necessary to shoot it to relieve it from needless pain. The driver, fearing a collision of the car was also torn off. A lady, in jumping off the car, fell violently on the street and severely injured her arm. No other injury was done. The accident was clearly unavoidable, as the brakes were rendered useless by the ice on the rails.

Installation of Officers.

The public installation of the officers elect of the Corinthian Chapter of Temperance and Wisdom, No. 2, of Pennsylvania, will take place this evening, at half past seven o'clock, in Temperance Hall, Fourth street, Allegheny. The Chapter was organized about three years since, and is now in a very flourishing condition. There is now on the rolls the names of about two hundred ladies and gentlemen. All friends of temperance are cordially invited to be present at the installation ceremonies to-night, when will be conducted by the officers of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, now in the city.

The following are the names of the officers to be installed this evening: King—Sesame Hill; Queen—Jessie Eaton; Master—John H. McMasters; Lady of Master—Mary Wood; Scribe—J. H. Anderson; Lady of Hope—Annie Boyd; Father—Wm. Holmes; Lady Marshal—Annie Goode; Recorder—Rev. G. Rosenmiller; Lady Recorder, ——; Treasurer—J. H. Skillon; Lady Treasurer—Sarah Wentzel; Sentinel—Wm. Wentzel, two supporters to be appointed; Septre-George Gumbert; Lady Sentinel—Jennie Smith.

Another Warning—Locking Up Children

Mrs. Glenzing, who resides on Manor street, above Carson, in Birmingham, having had occasion to leave her house, on Saturday, for a few moments, locked up in the house two small children, aged respectively four and two years. Shortly after the departure of Mrs. Glenzing the next neighbor heard the children crying, and fearing that something was wrong, procured assistance, burst open the door, and search was instituted for the children. Cries were heard coming from a cellar under the stairway, and on opening the door the eldest was discovered to be in flames. The children were dragged out and extinguished, and the fire was soon extinguished by the application of a few buckets of water. The eldest child stated that they had been playing with the cat, and she having ran into the closet, they lighted a match and set fire to the clothes on the back of the cat. The burning shaving communicated to some chips lying in the closet, which immediately ignited and set fire to the stairway. The opportune arrival of the neighbors saved the lives of the children.

New Drug House

A change of some importance is announced to-day in our columns. The firm of J. J. Bander & Co. having dissolved, the stand No. 91 Liberty street, corner of Sixth, will be occupied by their successors in the same trade, Messrs. Sellers & Van Gorder. Mr. W. H. Sellers, late of R. E. Sellers & Co., is widely known in the Drug Trade, and brings to the new business a thorough knowledge of the business, while Mr. Frank Van Gorder is no less popular in business circles, and the activity and enterprise both of these gentlemen, as well as their known, sufficient guarantee of success. We cordially welcome this new firm to the fraternity of Wholesale Druggists, and assured that the grass will grow beneath their feet in their steps to success in the Trade. In this notice Our merchant friends from a read will remember that a new store has been opened, and Messrs. Sellers & Van Gorder will make it worth their while to call at 91 Liberty street next time they come to lay in goods.

KILLED ON THE RAILROAD.—Last evening about six o'clock, Mr. Philip Hiesick was run over by the mail train on the Allegheny Valley Railroad, in the Fifth ward, and so severely that he died in a few minutes afterward. The deceased, who was by trade a boiler maker, got on board the train at Negley's station, seven miles above the city. When the train arrived at the corner of Penn and Pike streets, he attempted to jump off, but was struck by the front steps of the rear car, knocked back upon the track, the wheels passing over both his legs, above the knee, and nearly severing them from the body. Mr. George Sayers, the conductor, stopped the train as soon as possible, and had the unfortunate man conveyed to the passenger station, at Pike street, where he died before arriving there. Mr. Hiesick was sixty-two years of age, and resided on Main street, Allegheny. Coroner Clawson was summoned to hold an inquest, but owing to the absence of persons who had witnessed the accident, the jury adjourned until this evening at seven o'clock, when they will re assemble at Alderman Taylor's office.

FAINFUL ACCIDENT IN EAST LIBERTY.—On last Friday evening, whilst the wife of Mr. J. R. Dukewits, music dealer, was visiting in East Liberty, was stepping from the cars to the board platform, at that station, her dress accidentally caught upon a part of the car platform, and, having a child in her arms, she was unable to save herself from a violent fall against the edge of the platform, breaking two ribs, and being otherwise severely injured. She will be confined to her bed for a long time. The platform at that station is badly constructed, and extremely dangerous for women and children to step from the cars. The time for the erection of the Company, we think, to erect a new platform, and the putting down of a few lamps is mainly much needed at a station that turns out an average daily travel to and from Pittsburgh of two hundred and seventy passengers.

DARING HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—Yesterday morning about half past six o'clock, Mr. John D. Finkenbine, in the employ of Day, Mowry & Sprag, hardware dealers on Wood street, while passing along St. Clair street, in front of the Red Lion Hotel, on the way from his home on the corner of Laccock and Sandusky streets, Allegheny, to the store, was seized by a man, who approached behind him, and held firmly until his pockets were rifled of their contents. The two villains then turned and ran down an alley and disappeared. They got but little for their trouble, as there was only contained in a pocket book, containing a small amount of money and some papers, a pair of spectacles. Mr. Folianstine was unable to recognize the robbers.

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THE Pittsburgh *Dispatch* appeared yesterday in quarto form and a new suit of types. The quarto form has its advantages and disadvantages—the latter discoverable at once to the advertiser. Outside the larger dimensions—one or two cases perhaps excepted—experience has not, we believe, realized the expectations that prompted the change. With our neighbor, however, it may prove otherwise, and we should be glad to know that it does.

REMAINS INTERRED.—The remains of Mr. John M. Johnson, who was killed at Neville Station, on the P. Ft. W. & C. R. R., on Friday, by being run over, were taken in charge of by a committee from the Mounders' Union, to which he was a member, and interred yesterday morning in the Methodist Cemetery, in Mc-Clure township. A procession of over one hundred mounders followed the remains to their last resting place.

BEFORE ALDERMAN MCMASTERS.—Mr. Samuel McMasters, who was elected Alderman of the Third ward at the recent city election, has opened an office at No. 144 Grant street, and entered upon his duties yesterday afternoon. All information was made before him soon. All information was made before him against John H Brown, for the larceny of a carpet sack, filled with clothing, from Mrs. Clemens's boarding house, on Overhill street. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the accused.

ROWDYISM.—High and Tunnel streets, in the Third Ward, seems to be a rendezvous for a crowd of young men and boys who gather nightly and make the night hideous with their outrageous demonstrations, and cursing and swearing. A general free fight occurred on Sunday night between a crowd of them, which resulted in bruised heads, blackened eyes and bloody noses. No arrests were made.

MEETS TO-NIGHT.—The Allegheny Soldiers' League will meet in their new Hall, over the White House, on Federal street, near the railroad depot, this evening at seven and a half o'clock. Previous attendance is desired, as the charter will be submitted for approval.

PRESENTATION.—Mr. J. C. Price, the retiring Superintendent of the Sabbath School of the Smithfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church, was presented on Sunday by the scholars and teachers of the school, with a handsome copy of the Holy Bible.

PERSONAL.—W. H. Sirvis, President of the Mounders' International Union, is in the city. He is to deliver an address to the mounders in regard to their present "strike."

The Opera.

A most brilliant and fashionable audience assembled last evening at the Opera House in the occasion being the inauguration of a short opera season, of six nights only, by the famous Ghioni & Susini Italian Opera Company. The work chosen was Verdi's *chef d' œuvre*, "Il Trovatore," which, despite its familiarity, never palls, abounding as it does with many of the choicest gems of melody which even the musical world of Italy has ever afforded.

Madame Ghioni was the "Leonora" of the evening. Her voice is one of great power and compass, grappling with the highest notes of the scale without effort or faltering. Her rendition of the beautiful solo, representing her meeting with her lover, was excellent, and the closing couplet,

Al core, el guardo estatico
La terra un ciel sembro,

was given with a voice and expression that called forth loud applause. In the duett between herself and "Manrico," at the close of the fourth act, (the Miserere,) both artists were enthusiastically encored. The dying scene, at the close of the opera, was acted with much force, and the audience testified their appreciation by repeated plaudits.

Madame Patti Strakosch, as "Azucena," rendered her part with a fidelity and fervor worthy of all praise. Her voice is remarkably sweet and flexible, at the same time being exceedingly powerful. Her acting was superb, fervent and impassioned, and marked with an abandon which made her rendition of the fierce Gipsy almost faultless, so expressive being her countenances at d gestures that without any knowledge of the plot any one accustomed to the study of the human face, could readily have understood every motion intended to be portrayed. Especially was this noticeable in her description of the burning of her infant son, and it is impossible to convey any idea of the intensity of her spair with which she wailed out, "Il figlio mio aves bruciato." In the fourth scene of the third act, her malediction upon the Count was rendered with great spirit, and her dream song in the last act was warbled most naturally and with great sweetness.

So much for the Prima Donne. They were excellently sustained by Signor Ettori Irfre as "Manrico" and Signor Marra as "Count de Luna." The former gentleman was truly magnificent, and was repeatedly applauded by the enthusiastic audience. The troubadour song at the close of the third scene of the first act was finely rendered, but in the last scene of the third act he even surpassed himself—taking the "C" in the chest C) with an ease which rivalled Tamberlick himself. The Miserere was also splendidly rendered by this exquisite artist, better than whom, we can safely aver, none has ever visited Pittsburgh.

Signor Marra as the "Conte de Luna" in the well deserved applause of the evening. He is a splendid baritone, gifted with a magnificent voice, which he uses with great taste and judgment. His acting is also fine. The costumes throughout were good, and the same may be said of the orchestra.

To night will be given "Crispino e la Comare;" to-morrow and Thursday, "L'Africaine;" Friday "Lucretia Borgia," and Saturday, at the request of many, "Faust."

We append the plot of Crispino: Crispino, the Cobbler, and his wife, Annetta, are the principal characters, with two Doctors, Fabrizio and Mirabolano, Don Asdrunal, a rich miser, and Count Ottavio, a gallant who visits the miser's ward. Crispino being very poor, is about to draw himself, when a fairy comes to his aid, and by supernatural power, makes him the richest and most successful physician in Venice, actually to the disgust of his rivals. He attains a great wealth, and causes a magnificent palace to be erected on the site of his old hall, and deprives the entire fraternity of Venice of work with rage at his astonishing success. They ridicule his ignorance as well as his bad Latin but are utterly confounded by the wonderful cures he accomplishes. However, Crispino's constant reproaches to his haughty and quarrelsome wife treats his wife, and is insolent to his "good gentlus," La Comare. As punishment for his ungrateful conduct the fairy causes him to see through the eyes of her subterranean palace, where she shows him the cause of his wife's ill hard, and bids him upon his marking his wife's conduct in the future. He does in the manner she dictates to him. Crispino, half dead with terror, complies, and requests as a favor, that he may be permitted to return to his wife and children before he dies. The fairy, by the medium of an enchanted mirror, reveals to him his family circle, kneeling in fervent prayer for his safety. He again implores the fairy to spare his life and promises that if she will only forgive him off this time," he will for the future, become an exemplary husband and father. The fairy consents, but causes Crispino to fall asleep on a seat, and on awakening, he finds himself surrounded by his wife and children and friends, who he assures them have been dreaming of a disagreement. Terrified by the visionary horrors and all his terrors were naught but a beautiful dream, the result of a "disinterested fancy."

Court Proceedings.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.—The case of Joseph H. Mellon vs. George Shoop, being an action to recover the value of a coal barge which was sunk in the Allegheny river in December, 1865, commenced on Thursday last, was proceeded with yesterday morning by Judge Mellon, and has not yet been concluded.

The regular trial list was taken up in the Criminal Court Session Court room Judge Sterrett, and the case of Robert Hays vs. Wm. Thompson, proceeded with. This is an action of ejectment for seventy feet square of ground in Jefferson township. The case was tried a few weeks since, and a verdict rendered in favor of plaintiff. Last October a motion was moved for a new trial, and brought forward at the present term of the Court, but the Court to be insufficient, and a new trial was awarded. The case will probably be concluded to day.

DISTRICT COURT.—This court met yesterday morning, at ten o'clock, Judge Hopkins on the bench. The trial list was called, and none of the parties being prepared to proceed, an adjournment for the month of January was ordered.

TRIAL LISTS FOR THIS DAY.

The following cases will be taken up in the District Court and Court of Common Pleas to-day:

DISTRICT COURT.

No. 73 C. Ihmsen & Sons vs. O'Hara, Schulz & Co.
No. 78 Same vs. Same, Same & Co.
No. 99 Edward D. Watson vs. Joseph Fleming.
No. 100 A. D. Miller vs. Owners steamer Leclaire
No. 101 Same vs. Same, D. Hallowell.
No. 106 Noble Augill & Co., vs. O. S. Jones' Administrators.
No. 106 Wilder & Co. vs. John M. Perkins & Co.
No. 111 L. H. Voigt & Co. vs. A. B. Meachen & Co.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

No. 22. Dwling vs. Owners Steamboat Keystone.
No. 31. W. A. Stockton vs. D. McDonald et al.
No. 38. Same vs. Same vs. A. Berry.
No. 241. John M. Fulton vs. J. Heron Foster.
No. 42. Same vs. Same, Same & Co.
No. 43. Francis McGovern vs. C. Haigh.
No. 45. George H. Anshutz vs. George Keller et al.
No. 47. A. K. Davis vs. W. E. Brandon.
No. 48. John Guffy vs. Mary A. Gillan et al.
No. 51. Catherine Roach vs. Ellsworth Roach.

Fatal Accident on the Pan-Handle Railroad.

John Kelly, employed as a brakeman on a freight train on the Pan-Handle Road, Columbus and Cincinnati Railroad, was run over about five o'clock yesterday afternoon, near Mansfield, this county, and killed. It appears that he was standing between two freight cars, and while in the act of coupling them he was caught between the bumpers, and thrown on the track. The wheels of one track passed over him, severing the left leg from the body, cutting the head badly, and crushing his feet and the lower portions of his legs. When extricated he was still alive, and Dr. George McClelland, of Mansfield, on the spot, was sent for, before the physician arrived the poor fellow breathed his last, and died. Coroner Cawson will hold an inquest to day.

ALLEGED OUTRAGEOUS ASSAULT.—Mrs. Kate V. Close, a resident of Fifth street, made an information yesterday before Alderman Donaldson, charging George Bachtel, employed as a clerk in Guckenheimer & Bros' grocery store, on Smithfield street, with aggravated assault and battery. Mrs. Close alleges that at noon, yesterday, a number of boys, among whom was her son, aged nine years, passed Guckenheimer's store, and threw some mud from the street, and some sugar barrels in front of the store. The boys commenced scraping sugar out of an empty barrel, when Bachtel, it is alleged, filled a vessel containing boiling water off the stove, and threw the contents on Mrs. Close's son, very badly scalding him. The scalding, it is said, was done in the presence of Bachtel's employer, Mr. Guckenheimer, who did not interfere. Bachtel was arrested, and required to enter bail for a hearing.

A YOUTHFUL ROBBER IN CUSTODY.—Officer Joseph Campbell, of the Allegheny day police, arrested yesterday morning in the Allegheny Depot, Joseph Stewart, one of the boys who was arrested on Saturday last charged with breaking into the watch box on Federal street, Allegheny, charged with having entered the book store of Mrs. Davis, on Federal street, Allegheny, on Saturday night, and stolen two pocket knives from the counter. The money was not found in his possession, but he was identified by two boys who were in the store, as having committed the robbery. He is now in the lock-up awaiting a hearing. He is supposed to have also stolen a pair of boots from the shoe store of Martin Coyle, on Ohio street, about a week ago. Young Stewart has already served a term of one year in the House of Refuge.

DISORDER IN A COURT ROOM.—Yesterday afternoon a young man named Joseph Dryden, who had apparently been drinking to excess, entered the Court of Common Pleas, and amused himself by kicking over the chairs. Mr. Patterson, cryer of the Court, who happened to be present, seized the intruder by the shoulder, and promptly ejected him from the room. Dryden returned in a short time afterwards, and re-commenced his amusement, when his honor, Judge Mellon, who was occupying the bench, called upon a Deputy Sheriff and directed him to convey the belligerent to jail. The order was at once executed, and Dryden placed in durance vile. No period was specified for Dryden's incarceration, but the breach of decorum, and manifest disrespect to the dignity of the Court, will be severe punishment, and he should not be released until he makes an ple apology.

A SOUND INSURANCE COMPANY.—The attention of property owners is directed to the card of Captain R. J. Grace, agent for the Enterprise Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Cincinnati, headed "Over Millions Dollars." The stockholders and officers of this company are among the solid, moneyed men of Cincinnati, and as they have an ample guaranteed capital, all policy holders who are so unfortunate as to sustain loss by fire or water will have the amount insured promptly paid. Captain Grace will give all the necessary information and issue policies as promptly as could be desired. Office in Burke's Building, No. 59 Fourth street.

DISCHARGED.—The four boys, Stewart, Doeney, Miller and Graham, who were arrested on Sunday morning for breaking into the watch box on Federal street, Allegheny, and who, our reporter was informed, were to be sent to the House of Refuge, were discharged yesterday by Mayor Morrison.

ALDERMAN'S CARD.—Samuel McMasters, the recently elected Alderman of the Third ward, has located at No. 144 Grant street, near Sixth, where he will devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

SURETY.—Maria Padden was before Alderman Donaldson yesterday, charged with surety of the peace, in threatening to shoot Wm. Ingram. The prosecutor resides in this city, and the defendant in Allegheny. The case was settled.

COMMISSIONS RECEIVED.—D. M. Mullin, Alderman elect in the Fourth ward, and Alderman elect G. M. Irwin, of the Second ward, Allegheny, yesterday received their commissions from Harrisburg.

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Presentation of a Gold Medal to Mr. John Engler, Jr., of New Jersey.

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The President stated the object for which they had assembled, and introduced George R. Cochran, Esq., who presented the medal and purse to Mr. Engler in an appropriate speech, the substance of which is as follows:

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FLEMING—On Saturday night, 2d instant, Mrs. SARAH FLEMING in the seventy-third year of her age.

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

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Gold	137½
U. S. Bonds, 1881	107½
" 5-20's 1862	102¾
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" new issues 1865	101¾
" 7-30's	106½
Michigan Southern	73½
Michigan Central	124½
Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago	98
Erie	80½
W. U. Telegraph Co.	45
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Cleveland and Pittsburgh	58½
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MINING STOCKS

Gregory	43½	Holman	192
Quartz Hill	4½	Smith & Parmelee	6¾
Covington	8¾	Nye	97c
Hope	60c		

—The following statement exhibits the business of the Pittsburgh Clearing House for the week closing on Saturday, February 2d:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
January 28	$ 868,246 26	$87,142 90
January 29	2?0,001 47	54,758 50
January 30	211,291 51	54,068 90
January 31	313,001 00	70,000 00
February 1	313,809 04	103,116 56
February 2	287,742 45	43,606 74
Total	$1,747,090 71	$413,870 80

—Local stocks are very dull. One share and a small lot of the People's National Bank at 109, was reported to us to-day. Columbia (oil) is offered at 8, but not taken.

—The annual statements of the Marine Insurance Companies represent heavier losses than have usually been reported. The Atlantic declares 20 per cent. in scrip, pays interest on all outstanding scrip, and redeems the issue of 1864. The Great Western pays interest on all their issues, redeems that of 1863, and declares 10 per cent. in scrip. The Great Western also pays 6% per cent. in cash on their stock. The New York makes 10 per cent. new scrip, pays interest but makes no redemption. The Union makes no new scrip nor redeems, but merely pays interest. The Commercial issues 15 per cent. in scrip, but makes no redemption of that of 1858. The Orient issues 12½ per cent. in scrip, but makes no redemption. The Metropolitan pays a dividend. The most disastrous statement is that of the Sun Mutual which cancels its entire capital of $1,000,000 by a dividend of 50 per cent.—*New York Tribune.*

The latest advices from Congress indicate that neither the national currency and banking laws, or the acts of 1865-'66 for funding the public debt, will be disturbed at the present session. It is possible, that an effort will be made to substitute treasury certificates of deposits at a bonded rate of interest for part of the compound 6 per cents, which will relieve the inconvenience of the banks of the great cities in the coming loan settlements, and as part of their 25 per cent. in lawful money. The new bank liabilities—the certificates to represent legal tender deposits—will be issued in such manner as if this change be not specially authorized, the fact that the Secretary of the Treasury has already the power to renew the compound issues fully justifies the belief that he would remove all apprehension of perversion from their withdrawal.

—The Boston *Bulletin* estimates that many of the sales reported at the Boston Board of Mining stocks are "washes." It says: "The operations in these stocks are still quite light, and prices are but little changed. The various attempts to run them up and smother the Lake have most signally failed, and an air of discouragement hangs over the board. The standard newspaper puffs of the new mines, which are 'supposed' to have the wonderful vein of this or that property running through them, are shorter than usual, some little paragraph only going on, according to reports of sales at the board; while the rise of two or three dollars a share has the usual tempting appearance; but notwithstanding these rose colored views, there are not so many sales reported as usual. Indeed, it is questionable whether the men are assuming almost parallel lines, and the fact that they cannot help but keep in knowledge of each other's movements, is the secret of the dullness. Some of the leading mines are making active preparations for the spring campaign, and some little progress is being made in the way of development, but not more than could be done with a small force of men. Some of the companies are working with this beautiful fair weather, and in their behalf I present it to you. Receive it from me, Sir, as a token of their high appreciation, and another of the ladies as 'The Skatorial King,' which we believe you to be, and, in this contest, is over and you are about leaving our city for your distant home, take it with you, and as you view it when far distant, remember that many friends from Pittsburgh are ever with you in the kindest regards, highest esteem and best wishes of its donors—your Pittsburgh admirers."

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